ing of Tunis. The City was given up to the Rage of the Soldiery during twenty Hours. The only House exempted from being plundered was that of the British Consul. The English and the Swedes fettled at Tunis, were the only Persons who escaped the general Fury, under the Protection of the English Consul. But the Imperial and Dutch Consuls, after having been most inhumanely treated, were, together with their Families, conducted to Algiers as Slaves. They met with no Alleviation under their Misfortunes, but from the Compassion and Relief given them by one Henry Van Asperen, a Native of Amsterdam, who, after many Adventures, whereby he came diffinguished, at length was attached to this very Dey of Tunis, who now has lost his Dominions; but being always fertile of Invention, he found Means to extricate himfelf from this Difficulty, by passing sometimes for an Englishman, and sometimes for a Swede and at length got fafe out of the cruel Hands of the Algerine Soldiery.

Madrid. Sir Benjamin Keene hath dispatched an Express to England with Advice, that the Catholic King invariably perfifts in his Resolution

to observe a strict Neutrality.

Gilraltar. By Water our Defence is very weak; for if once we should lose the Dominion by Sea, we could not keep the Town for three Weeks, as there are several Parts of the Coast without the least Fortifications, and with a small Fleet they would immediately destroy us. Lord Tyrawley is exerting himfelf vaftly in the Defence of this Place, by building several strong Batteries in different Places, and repairing old ones, which were out of Repair. His Lordship has begun a new Work, the greatest that ever was undertaken here, which is as follows: The weakest Part of this Garrison was from the South Bastion to the New Mole; his Lordship is causing a Breastwork to be made within about 100 Yards of the Line Wall, of Hogsheads filled with red Sand, which he runs from the Bastion to the New Mole aforefaid, which is about Half a Mile, with Embrasure for Cannon, to cover the Breastwork, in Case the Men with Small-Arms should be beat off the Line Wall, that they might retire through the Sally Ports within this Breaftwork, which lies out of Danger of any Cannon from Shipping.

LONDON, January 27.

Private Letters from Oftend, by the Flanders

Mail, fay, that there are great Commotions at Paris, and other Parts of the Kingdom; that several religious Houses are shut up, to prevent Cabals among the Clergy; and that the Archbishop of Paris has been publicly accused of

being at the Bottom of the Attack on the King.
The feventy Transports lately taken into the
Government's Service, fell down the River Yesterday. They have Hammocks on board for

January 29. By Letters received from East-India by the last Ships, we are informed, that Angria the Pirate has put himself under the Protection of a very powerful Indian Prince, to whom he used to pay Tribute, which the Prince has been deprived of fince our dispossessing Angria, and in order to revenge himself of his Los, has taken Part with Angria, and threatens to destroy all the English settled in those Parts.

Notwithstanding the Assurances given in several Papers of certain Regiments therein mentioned being destined for North-America, we can with equal Assurance, and much greater Certainty af-firm, that not one of them were the Regiments intended for that Expedition, and that the following Corps are fixed upon and will foon embark for that Service, viz. The fecond Battalion of the Royal Regiment of Foot, Major-General Richbell's, Lieutenant-General Lord Blakeney's, Lieutenant-General Philip Bragg's, Major-General Thomas Kennedy's, and Major-General Thomas Murray's.

We are informed from undoubted Authority. that the Warrant for Mr. Byng's Execution will

be made out in a few Days. Admiral Hawke continues dangerously ill at

his House in Great George-Street.

The following Particulars relating to the Capture of the Terrible Privateer (fitted out at Execution Dock) Captain William Death Commander, came by the last Flanders Mail, viz. That the Prize which they had under their Convoy, had been in their Possession five Days, and, accor Instructions from their Owners, were bringing her into Port, when they fell in with the French pleased, nouvithstanding which, the Conduct of Philip's Castle, in Minorca, then besieged by the the Captain, and the Courage of the Men, the French; but acted contrary to, and in Breach of the Captain, and the Courage of the Men, the bis Majadu's Command and having Breach of greatest Part of whom never saw salt Water be-fore, the Ship was fought till every Officer, except the Surgeon's Mate, and Carpenter, were killed, and only ten Men left unhurt, and seven who had lost Limbs. Both the Ships were so his Utmost to relieve St. Philip's Castle. And much damaged, that it was with the greatest also, that during the Engagement between his Difficulty they were got into Port. The French Majesty's Fleet, and that of the French, on the are faid to have lost all their Officers but one, and

100 Men, besides a great Number wounded.
His Grace the Duke of Bedsord, Lord Lieute-nant of Ireland, on Tuesday signified his Pleasure, That all fuch Officers, belonging to the fecond Battalion of his Majesty's first or Royal Regiment of Foot, and also to his Majesty's seventeenth, twenty-feventh, twenty-eighth, forty-third, fortyfixth, and fifty-feventh Regiment of Foot, commanded respectively by Lieutenant-General St. Clair, Major-General Richbell, Lord Blakeney, Lieutenant-General Bragg, Major-General Kennedy, Major-General Murray, and Colonel Perry, in Ireland, as are absent from their respective Posts in that Kingdom, do forthwith join their respective Corps as soon as possible, and at all Events on or before the 15th Instant.

Deal, January 27. Arrived the Philadelphia, Forsyth, from Honduras; Success, Almond, from Virginia.—At Ditto, Davie, from Maryland. A Letter from Portsmouth, dated February 1.

"Admiral Byng was Yesterday ordered to be confined on board the Monarque Man of War, in the Harbour, under a Captain's Guard of Marines.

"Admiral West, as the Wind now is, will clear the Land this Night or Tomorrow Morning.
"It is reported here, that a strong Fleet of 16 Sail of the Line and 12 000 Lond Free, will be

Sail of the Line, and 12,000 Land Forces, will be equipped from hence for a Diversion in Canada early this Spring, and that Vice-Admiral Knowles will have the Command."

The Quantity of Tonnage taken up for his Majesty as Transports, amounts now to 16,000.
The new Dey of Tunis has caused 70,000

Persons, who were Adherents of the former Dey, to be put to Death.

On Thursday last his Majesty was pleased to promote the 8 following Colonels to the Rank of Major-General, viz. Alexander Dury, Francis Leighton, Hedworth Lambton, Lord Robert Manners, John Moyston, Edward Pole, John Waldegrave, and Peregrine Thomas Hopson. General Hopson is to have the Command of

the Troops destined to North-America.

Two remarkable Circumstances are related to have happened at the Time Admiral Byng received his Sentence; the Court-Martial wept, and the Sailors on board gave three Cheers.

It was reported last Night, that the King of Prussia was put under the Ban of the Empire.

It was also rumoured, that the Russians cannot march on account of the King of Prussia's hav-

we hear the King of Prussia, from all his vete ran Regiments, has selected particular brave and experienced Men, whom he has formed into one Regiment of Body Guards, by the Name of THE REGIMENT OF DEATH: They are all dreffed in black, and have no Ornament but a Death's Head embroidered on their Caps.

At a Court-Martial on board the St: George, Portsmouth Harbour, 28th December, 1756, till 27th January, 1757.

PRESENT, THOMAS SMITH, Vice-Admiral of the Red, President.

Francis Holbourn, Rear-Admiral of the Red. Henry Norris, Rear-Admiral of the White. Thomas Broderick, Rear-Admiral of the Blue.

APTAINS. Charles Holmes, Francis Geary, William Boyes, John Moore. James Douglass, John Simcoe, John Bentley, And, the Hon. Peter Dennis, Augustus Keppell.

HE Court, pursuant to an Order from the Lords of the Admiralty, proceeded to enquire into the Conduct of the Hon. John Byng, Vice-Admiral of the Blue, and to try him on a Charge, That, during the Engagement between his Majesty's Fleet under his Command, and the Fleet of the French King, on the 20th of May aft. he did do his Utmost to take, seize and destroy, the Ships Crew of the Privateer Anne, (which lately bewithdraw or keep back, and did not of the French King, which it was his Duty to longed to this Island) taken by a French Privateer Privateer, which had 100 Men more than them, have engaged, and to affift such of his Majesty's and carried 26 Nine Pounders on her Main Deck.

The French Privateer went so much better than

practifed the most shocking Cruelties at their tak- the Terrible, that she failed round them as she for that he did not do his Utmost to relieve & his Majesty's Command: And having heard the Evidence and Prisoner's Defence, and very ma. turely and thoroughly confidered the fame, they are unanimously of Opinion, that he did not do 20th of May, he did not do his Utmost to take seize and destroy the French, which it was ha Duty to have engaged, and to affift such Ships as were engaged with the French, &c. &c. 2nd do therefore unanimously agree, that he falls and Part of the 12th Article of the Act of Parliament, in the 22d Year of his Majesty's Reign; and a that Article positively prescribes DEATH, without any Alternative lest to the Direction of the Court, under any Variation of Circumstance, the Court do therefore unanimously adjudge the faid Admiral John Byng, to be shot to Death, at such Time, and on board such Ship, as the Lords of the Admiralty shall direct.

But as it appears by the Evidence of Lord Robert Bertie, Lieutenant Colonel Smith, Captain Gu-diner, and other Officers of the Ship, who were near the Person of the Admiral, that they did not perceive any Backwardness in him during the Action, or any Marks of Fear or Confuse, either from his Countenance or Behaviour, but that he seemed to give his Orders ecolly and di-tinctly, and did not seem wanting in Personal Courage; and from other Circumstances, the Court do not believe that his Misconduct arose, either from Cowardice or Disaffection, and & therefore unanimously think it their Duty, mot earnestly to recommend him as a proper Obed

of Mercy.

The above Sentence was attended with the following Representation.
To the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of

the Admiralty.

E the underwritten, the Prefident, and Members of the Country. Members of the Court-Martial, affembled for the Trial of Admiral Byng, believe it mecessary to inform your Lordships, that in the whole Course of this long Trial, we have done our utmost Endeavours to come at Truths, and to do the strictest Justice to our Country, and the Prisoner. But we cannot help laying the Di-tresses of our Minds before your Lordships, or this Occasion, in finding ourselves under a Necessity of condemning a Man to Death, from the great Severity of the 12th Article of Wu, Part of which he falls under, and which admits of no Mitigation, even if the Crime should be consisted by an Experience of the Crime should be consisted by an Experience of the Crime should be consisted by an Experience of the Crime should be consisted by an Experience of the Crime should be consisted by an Experience of the Crime should be consisted by an Experience of the Crime should be consisted by an Experience of the Crime should be consisted by an Experience of the Crime should be consisted by an Experience of the Crime should be consisted by an Experience of the Crime should be consisted by an Experience of the Crime should be consisted by an Experience of the Crime should be consisted by the Crime should mitted by an Error in Judgment only; and there fore for our own Consciences Sake, as well as in Justice to the Prisoner, we pray your Lordship, in the most earnest Manner, to recommend him to his Majesty's Clemency.—We are, &c.

27th January, 1757. 12th ART. of WAR, 13 Carl. 21. Every Captain, and all other Officers, &c. that hall in Time of any Fight or Engagement, with draw, or keep back, or not come into the Fight, and engage, and do his Utmost to take, fire, kill, and damage the Enemy, &c. and affift and reliers all his Majesty's Ships, shall for such Offence of Cowardice or Disaffection, be tried, and suffer Pains of DE ATH, or other Punishment as the Circumstances of the Offence shall deserve, and the Court-Martial shall judge sit.
12th ART. 22d GEO. 2d. Which explains and

amends the former Act.

" Every Person who through Cowardice, Negligence, or Disaffection, shall, in Time of Action, withdraw, or keep back, &c. every such Person so offending, and being convicted thereof, by the Sentence of a Court-Martial, shall suffer DEATH.

The Omission of the Words in Italics, in the first Act, and the Addition, or rather single Expression of DEATH in the last Act, seems to be the Ground of the Distresses of the Court-Martial .-

It is faid, that when Admiral Byng is expel-led the House, the Warrant will be figned by the Lords of the Admiralty, for his Execution.

ANTIGUA, February 12.

We have particular Pleafure in publishing the

following Circumstances relating to the Behaviour of Captain Clarke, his Officers, and the whole on the 26th of December last, and carried into St. Domingo.

aft Two in the Afternoon, larke only 36, all of who ther killed or wounded: rough his left Thigh and ieutenant in the Neck, as orehead. We can't be ex er of those kill'd in this ot few) but feveral are fince However the French paid ve y, having between 70 and d. Capt. Clarks Capt. Clarke never ft ontinued on the Deck to the den able to stand by him younded. There are Nun oners at Domingo and I Clarke, as also his first an are likely to do well.

BOSTON

The Engagement began

Last Week arrived at R Fones, in the Privateer B Port, and brought in with We hear Capt. Fones in th has taken 9 Prizes. Capt. Ellery of this Place

Privateer, have taken two F her Prize.
WILLIAM Extract of a private Let

hich appeared here after s in some few Hands, havin he Original, vi≈. Anno 1755, A great Ea 1756, A War in I

1757, There shall 1758, The Wrath through t GOD shall

1760, The Stars sh and Moo 1762, Europe, tremble.

1763, A great Eathe Worl I could not obtain the F out no Faith in these prophe wrote you the fame as a C Events to the Grand Difpo N E W - Y O R F On Tuesday last arrived

hip, called the Eagle, Mo Commander, but came in ur She was taken on the 23 off Porto Plat, by the Drea George Privateers, Captains ay, both of and from this from St. Domingo for Old Burthen, and, besides privat poard 374 Hogsheads of S

and fundry Bales of Cotton An Express came to Tow ng last from Albany, and, Word, That a large Body of had, on Friday the 18th I Fort William-Henry, near L they were, by our brave G different Times, with confid bliged to retreat at some Diff Reinforcements from our Fo bove were gone up to the l it was not doubted but they to the Rout, and before they Te Deum, be made to repe

Yesterday another Express Tidings to the same Purpor that the Enemy to the Nu entirely routed, some Prison non, Baggage, &c. But w pectation of the Particulars third Dispatch.

Part of a Letter from Lon " Besides what you observe lic Prints, you may take for cation has been made in Bel ut to no Purpose as get; will be of any, his Majesty determined at present to puni Kind, let their Rank and The Thoughts of a great.—The Thou aside for this Year. House that give him all the The Parliament will be diff tave finished the Business bestaid very dear for their Se. their Purchase, as their Time